

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A printer driver, provided at a host computer while said host computer is connected to a stencil printing machine through communications, for setting items of various printing conditions for said stencil printing machine, wherein

the various setting items for said printing conditions are displayed; if a watermark print item is selected on the setting items, a secret operation item for allowing said stencil printing machine to execute a secret keeping operation for print data is selected accordingly; and information on the items are transmitted, together with the print data, to the stencil printing machine.

2. A printer driver, provided at a host computer while said host computer is connected to a stencil printing machine through communications, for setting items of various printing conditions for said stencil printing machine, wherein

the various setting items for said printing conditions are displayed; if a watermark print item is selected on the setting items, a selection screen of a secret operation item for allowing said stencil printing machine to execute a secret keeping operation for print data secret is displayed; the items are made selectable; and information on the selected items are transmitted, together with the print data, to the stencil printing machine.